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COUNTERACTING SELF DISCHARGE  
IN A STORAGE BATTERY

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Group Art Unit: 2838

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AMENDMENT

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This is in response to the Office Action dated July 17, 2006. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.